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**THEATRE ROYAL,
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TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY,
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"THE FORTY THIEVES,"
This burlesque is now being played
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Abdallah (his Lieu-
tenant)..... Miss A. Vernie.
Hassan..... Mr. C. D. Swell.
Mesrou..... Mr. R. Dapp.
Ben Zoualle..... Mr. M. Tee.
Bedreddin..... Mr. Skerrit.
(Leading members of the 40 thieves.)
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sim's wife)..... Miss C. Carlton.
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Baba's domestic)
Citizens, Merchants, Thieves, &c.

SYNOPSIS OF SCENERY.

Act I.
Scene I.—A Bazaar in Ispahan.
Scene II.—In the Forest, Exterior of
the Cave.

Act II.
Scene I.—In Ali Baba's Humble Cot-
tage.
Scene II.—Interior of the Robbers'
Cave.

Act III.
Scene I.—In Ali Baba's Palatial Halls.
Scene II.—Garden and Illuminated
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(From "P. of Penzance.")
"OH, WHAT A WICKED YOUNG MAN
YOU ARE."

"I'M GETTING A BIG BOY NOW,"
Trio from H.M.S. "Pinafore."
Concerted piece—"We never come
back no more."

"THE THIEF WITH A VERY BIG D."
Thieves Chorus (From "PIRATES OF
PENZANCE.")

CONCERTED PIECE—"THIEVES"
Duet—"Goodness Gracious."

Concerted Piece—"Emancipation Day."
Song—"As the old Cock Crows, so
Crows the Young."

TRIO—"HANG UP YOUR HAT BEHIND
THE DOOR."

Concerted Piece—"St. Patrick's Parade."
Duet—"He's got them on."

Song—"He is't a Marrying Man."
QUARTETTE AND CHORUS
"THE LARDER IS EMPTY."

Concerted Piece & Quadrille—"Eccentric."
Song—"The Fifteen Puzzle."

Song—"Were all on the Job."
Trio—"Thieves—Another Jolly Row
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Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 2ND DECEMBER, 1881.

The following interesting article on the proposed introduction of a line of steamers on the Grand Canal at Venice is taken from our London contemporary the *Standard*:

According to our Italian Correspondent, a line of steamers will in a short time be plying on the Grand Canal of Venice. This news must be a shock to the æsthetic feelings of every properly constituted mind, whilst its effect on Mr. Ruskin is a subject too painful to contemplate. It is only lately that the world of Art rose in protest against the project of the Venetian municipality to repair the Church of St. Mark, on the plea that this famous building was, in a manner, the property of all cultured men and women. What, therefore, must be their horror at hearing that, heedless of the sorrows of Mr. Burne Jones, reckless of the grief of Mr. Norman Shaw, callous even to the anathemas of "Fors Clavigera," the Syndic has signed the Decree which will for ever put his name under the ban of all who worship the Stones of Venice, and have fed their sentiment from the Bridge of Sighs. Venice still sits, as of old "throned on a thousand isles," but the Queen of the Adriatic echoing with the snort of steamboats will be, as Hood so aptly described Rotterdam, "a sort of vulgar Venice." If Canalazzo, the most Philistine of Town Councils cannot efface. It will continue a liquid highway dividing the city in two; and though a soap factory on its banks would astonish no one, the Vir, with their fifteen score of bridges, must remain to afford solace to the few sad-eyed pilgrims who come to weep over the artistic paradise which a utilitarian age has lost. The gondola and the picturesquely-clad gondolier may for a few years longer maintain a languid existence, just as the Thames watermen scramble for a living against the competition of "Citizen A" and his grimy brethren. But their songs will cease when the struggle for baiocchi becomes greater, and as the "hands" from the deck of a shrieking tug level sarcasm at them. Even the feather and the ragged velvet can may disappear before the reality embodied in a sou'wester or suit of moleskin. The Piazza di San Marco, the Campanile, the Torre dell' Orologio, the Doge's Palace, the Church of Santa Maria della Salute, the Accademia, the Scuola of San Rocco; the Rialto, where Shylock cozened Antonio, and Othello made love to Desdemona, are there for the tourist whose finer feelings are not lacerated by a smoke-begrimed façade. But who can quote Byron with the smell of train oil in his nostrils? And though the moon will light up, as of yore, the wondrous view from the Ponte dei Sospiri, it is sad to think that it must be enjoyed in the incongruous society of a Glasgow engine-driver, who gives "her half a turn ahead," and wipes his sooty brow with a wisp of cotton waste, as the funnel belches out smoke against the convent wall which guards the choicest treasures of Titian, Tintoretto, and Paolo Veronese.

The story reads like Mr. Cimabue Brown's nightmare. Unhappily, however, it is too true, and we are afraid that no remonstrance, no matter how emphatically signed, will make the slightest impression on City fathers whose thoughts run, like those of Jessica's parent, on "bags of doubleducats." The truth is, the Venetians, after trying for four centuries to live on sentiment, have come to the conclusion that, though pleasant as a garnish to something more substantial, the pleasures of memory are a most unsatisfactory meal. Reminiscences of the Doges and of the days when the Republic robbed the cities of the Mediterranean to beautify their own, are, doubtless, most gratifying, and Orscolo, Ziani, Dandolo, the Council of Ten, and the Bridal of the Adriatic are admirable features in the history of an ancient State. But when pockets are empty, trade dying, and wharves deserted, even the proudest of merchants are apt to use harsh language regarding antecedents much too picturesque for a work-a-day world, in which men have bakers' bills to pay and local rates to meet. Venice, accordingly, is determined to wake up from her æsthetic dream, and endeavour to regain something of her former prosperity. She has resolved that the frowns of the *dilettanti* shall not prevent her Canal being busy with traffic, and she talks of tapping the St. Gothard Railway, by forming a water way between Mugellino and her own port. All this is unquestionably a wrench to old associations. But the picturesque must yield to the utilitarian, if the problem of how to combine the two cannot otherwise be solved. The coat of mail and the iron helmet were more pleasing to look at than a short tunic and a Glengarry cap. But, after long clinging to these last remnants of a bygone age, the French Government have at last resolved to dispense with the breast-plates of the cuirassiers, and doubtless in time our Guardsmen will be stripped of the same glittering appendage to their equipments. The match-lock and the crossbow were more picturesque objects than the cartridge, the rifle, and the revolver. But they are gone for ever, and though kindly souls cling to them with piteous affection, the halbert and the Brown Bess can no more be recalled than could the mastodon or the catapult. Any attempt to resuscitate the romantic past when it is out of keeping with the prosaic present has always resulted in a grotesque absurdity. When Prince Louis Napoleon and a few score of nineteenth-century squires tilted at the Eglinton Tournament, they must, like the haruspices described by Cicero, have found it difficult not to laugh in each others' faces. The enthusiasts who now and then endeavour to revive the anachronism of the Danmow Fitch of Bacon, or the Lawless Court of Rochford, perform their task amid the jeers of a ribald and not always sober circle; while the persistence with which the Barons of the Exchequer kept the national accounts on notched sticks resulted, as all the world knows, in burning down the Houses of Parliament.

But it is in the facilities which steam, and the comforts which have followed in its train, supply to the modern traveller that the difficulties of reconciling the picturesque and the convenient most fully display themselves. When, more than five centuries and a half ago, Sir John Mandeville "passed the sea" in the "day of Seynt Michells," his voyage was unquestionably more romantic than that of the most poetical passenger who entrusts himself and portmanteau to the *Baron Ouy* in order to proceed to Antwerp. "For als moche as it longe tyme passed that ther was no generale passage." Yet we fancy few would care to change places with the doughty Knight of St. Albans. In those days a journey to Jerusalem was a wonderful feat, though Sir John had "often tymes passed and ryden the way with gode companye of many lordes." In our times a tourist can accomplish the trip very safely for the most moderate expenditure, though, after lodging in a good hotel, being swindled by an Arab with a shekel made in Birmingham, and worried by a dragoman who trolls out music-hall ditties, there is a struggle before the excursion can be venerated with the thinnest coating of sentiment. Chaucer's Canterbury Pilgrims travelled in a romantic fashion, though, possibly had they lived in our day they

would have preferred to have accomplished the duty by arrangement with the London, Chatham, and Dover Company. The Moslem Hadji has taken advantage of the Levantine and Red Sea steamers, and as the Indian Fakir has long ago visited the Holy Places by aid of the "Guaranteed Railways," it is not impossible that we may live to see the sixty miles between Djeddah and Mecca covered by the iron road for the convenience of pious men who love to do penance with boiled peas in their shoes. The Pacific Railroad has stripped the Trapper of his old romance and the Indian Brave of what little he ever possessed. A railway up Mount Vesuvius, another winding round Mount Washington, the Simplon pierced by a tunnel, the sacred Nile mad disturbed by paddle-wheels, and thrice-stered Benares with a noisy station, have prepared us for tramway cars in the City of Harodis Al Raschid and a Parisian *café* in Samarcand, hard by the "pleasure dome" decreed by Kublai Khan. Unless the nations unite in keeping intact certain show cities, there will soon be no roof of earth too reverential for the sapper, hardly a spot where the lover of the past may dream, or a man with a fixed income trying up a large family in respectability. For if a place is worth living in, some railway speculator or packet company discovers it, and henceforth its cheapness is relegated to ancient history. It is true that Greenland, Siberia, Franz Josef Land, and the shores of the Victoria Nyanza are still at the disposal of the anchorite whose mental horizon is bounded by a small annuity. But as the only two of the four likely to be selected by a sane individual are already threatened by the navy, even they may soon be withdrawn from the category of localities where Philistines have not yet rubbed the gilt off the gingerbread. A railway to Rome was long vetoed by Pio Nono, and one to Venice was permitted only because it helped to carry soldiers as well as tourists. But with five centuries steamboats "cailing at all the piers" on the Grand Canal, surely the romance of Venetia is fast taking wings and flying away.

The British Parliament, according to a London telegram of the 30th ult., will meet for the despatch of business on the 7th February.

Irish troubles appear to be on the increase, and it would be difficult to predict where they will eventually end. A cablegram received yesterday states that the situation is causing great anxiety to the Government. Refusals to pay rent are becoming general in the West and South.

A meeting of the General Committee of the proposed Masonic Ball will be held in the Freemason's Hall this afternoon at half-past four o'clock, to discuss and consider among other matters, a telegram received by the Deputy District Grand Master from Admiral Earl Clanwilliam. A full attendance is requested.

The inquest on the body of Essur Singh, the Sikh constable who was shot in the recent burglary business at Tytam was resumed at the Magistracy yesterday morning before Mr. H. E. Wodehouse, Coroner, and a jury. After hearing evidence, relating principally to the identification of the portions of the stolen property recovered by the police, the inquiry was adjourned until to-morrow, Saturday, at ten o'clock.

We understand that, owing to Earl Clanwilliam's refusal to permit the Princes Albert Victor and George to accept any public invitations unless as midshipmen and in conjunction with the other officers of the fleet, there is every probability that the proposed Public Subscription Ball will be abandoned. However gallant the position taken up by the Admiral may be to our self-conceit, there can be no doubt that he has acted like a thoroughly practical and sensible man. We have no doubt that the young lads are thankful to his lordship for sparing them the inflictions of public receptions, stupid speeches, and other antiquated absurdities. The mere fact that these two boys had the luck to be born Royal Princes is surely no reason why they should be bored throughout their lives by the fussy importunities of people with whom they have nothing in common.

We learn by telegraph that Baron Courcel has been appointed French Ambassador at the Court of Berlin.

H.M.S. *Wiven* will undock at the Cosmopolitan Dock to-morrow, making room for H.M.S. *Cleopatra*. The German barque *Anna* was docked at Aberdeen yesterday.

We are informed by the Superintendent of the P. & O. Co. that the steamer *Poshawar*, with the next English Mail, left Singapore for Hongkong at 7 a.m. yesterday morning.

The annual meeting of Zetland Lodge No. 525, for the election of Worshipful Master, Treasurer, and Tyler for the ensuing year will be held in Freemason's Hall, Zetland-street, this evening at nine o'clock precisely.

A telegram we published a short time ago announced that great dissatisfaction had been expressed in Dalmatia against Austrian tyranny. We now learn that an insurrection against that power has broken out in the Cattaro district.

By the arrival of H.M.S. *Cleopatra* we learn that the detached squadron with their Royal Highnesses Princes Albert Victor and George will probably arrive in Hongkong about Monday or Tuesday week. The Princes visited Hantow in H.M.S. *Fy*.

There is a rumour going round the colony this morning that a new Sugar Refining Company has already become a *fait accompli*. We understand that the Luxon Sugar Refinery has been formed into a Company, and that the whole of the shares have already been taken up privately by friends of the enterprise in this Colony. It would appear to us, in view of the threatened opposition to existing interests, that this undertaking is a great stroke of business, which cannot but lead to most satisfactory results.

The British steamer *Cleveland*, Captain Harvey, arrived here this morning from Keelung, which port she left on the 29th ult., and reports having experienced fresh N.E. breeze and moderate sea throughout. On the voyage from Hongkong to Keelung, the *Cleveland*, on the 20th ult., sighted a waterlogged junk, with four hands on her. A boat was lowered, and after some difficulty the four persons were rescued from their perilous position on the ill-fated craft. When brought on board the steamer, they were found to be in a most miserable plight, being quite exhausted through want of food and from the constant breaking of a heavy sea over them through the condition of their vessel. They were immediately supplied with warm clothing and food, and everything done to make them comfortable. On the arrival of the *Cleveland* at Keelung the shipwrecked people were handed over the authorities at that port, and before leaving the vessel were profuse in their thanks to Captain Harvey for their timely rescue and for the kind treatment they subsequently received on board.

Acting on our suggestion that it would be advisable, in the face of Earl Clanwilliam's refusal to allow the young Princes to take part in any ceremonies in Shanghai, to ascertain to what extent they would be permitted to be fêted in Hongkong, V. W. Brother C. P. Chater, Deputy District Grand Master of Hongkong and South China, telegraphed to the Admiral on Wednesday evening asking if the Princes would be permitted to accept an invitation to a Masonic Ball to be given in their honour on the 27th instant. A reply was received at 10 o'clock yesterday morning to the effect that similar invitations had already been refused elsewhere, and that no exception would be made in this case. Under these circumstances it is most unlikely that any Masonic Ball will be given this season. A meeting of the General Committee, and delegates from the various Lodges, will be held this afternoon to finally decide the question; but as the proposed ball was to be given specially to show honour to the sons of the Grand Master, H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and as that privilege, through Earl Clanwilliam's decision, has been denied the Craft, doubtless respect for the memory of the late District Grand Master, V. W. Brother T. G. Linstead, will cause the abandonment of the projected St. John's Day celebration.

The Messageries Maritimes steamship *Tanais*, which arrived from Yokohama this morning, reports having passed on the 1st December in lat. 23.41 long., 115.44 a full-rigged English ship showing LPJD.

A destructive fire in New York on the night of the 10th instant burnt the Fourth Avenue Railway stables, with the large furniture stores adjoining. The loss is estimated at two million dollars. Mr. William H. Vanderbilt is the landowner. The furniture stores were the depository of valuable goods belonging to the leading families. Among the burnt articles was a fine painting, owned by Mr. Vanderbilt, and valued at \$20,000. One hundred horses perished.—*London and China Express*.

The two famous racers, Strathavon and Strathpeffer, made their first appearance for the season in the racing enclosure this morning. The first-named looks but a shadow of his former self, and we have grave doubts as to his infirm leg standing much hard work. By a judicious course of repeated short gallops, alternated with plenty of swimming exercise, the old hero may possibly be got fit enough to add one more to his already long list of victories. Strathpeffer has quite a juvenile appearance, and we shall doubtless see this game little customer race away from his field up the Black Rock Hill in the Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes, and for the third time in succession win the honours of the first race on the card. Apropos of old "Peffer," we learn that a well known local sport, who has unbounded confidence in the little grey's racing abilities, has backed him against the field at events for the Champions. There are more unlikely things under the sun than this, but we know one or two friends of ours who would like to accommodate the confident one on the same terms to a considerable amount.

It has been generally admitted that the St. Andrew's Ball was the most successful celebration of the kind ever held in Hongkong. The throwing open the St. Andrew's Ball as an additional dancing saloon was no doubt a wise decision. There were one or two little matters which rather marred the pleasantness of the entertainment; but of course we cannot expect perfection in Hongkong. The stiffness and cliqueism so intimately associated with our public balls was happily much less conspicuous than has been the case on previous celebrations. One very flagrant case of most unladylike conduct came under our personal observation, and as one of the Stewards happened to be one of the persons insulted, he will doubtless bring the case before his brother Stewards at their first meeting. It was the old story of course. A set was being formed for the Caledonians, and two couples were required to complete the figure. The two couples were found and duly took their places, when without any apparent cause one of the women—the term lady would be misapplied in this case—deliberately walked away taking her partner, and *vis-à-vis* with her. As one of the Stewards, a store-keeper, was dancing with the wife of another Steward (also connected with a store) the cause for this disgraceful behaviour was doubtless explained. And yet the person who was guilty of this gross infringement of all the recognised rules of well bred society bears the name of a gentleman who came to Hongkong as, and actually, is a tradesman, and we believe is not ashamed of that fact. Could grim satire go further than this proof of the old saying "put a beggar on horseback and he will ride to the devil?" If the Stewards do not take cognizance of this deliberate insult to their guests, they will lay themselves open to severe censure. Why was Krug's champagne substituted for Heidsieck? This change was almost universally tabooed as a piece of mistaken economy. The Champagne Cup was simply undrinkable, and the gentleman who decocted the last brew of punch with equal quantities of whiskey and brandy has received a good many anathemas by tipplers of the warm beverage who felt rather "heavy" all yesterday. Will the Stewards forgive us for hinting that the supper was a long way from being up to high class form? The music was outside the pale of criticism.

COLLISION IN THE HARBOUR.

The *Bowen* steamed round from Aberdeen this morning, having been docked there, and when entering the harbour and nearly abreast of the Patent Slip, collided with the steamer *Solway*. The latter vessel was bound for Singapore and was leaving the port on her voyage there when the collision occurred. The *Bowen* reversed her engines before the two vessels touched, and had, it is stated, actually gathered sternway, so that the collision was not of the violent nature it might have been. Nevertheless, the *Bowen* had her fore-yard brought down by the run and a plate bulged in, but fortunately the plate is above the deck; her starboard anchor stock and accommodation ladder were also carried away. The *Solway* shortly after put about and anchored near Green Island, but has since sailed, and the damage she received is not known.

H.M.S. "CLEOPATRA."

Her Majesty's ship *Cleopatra* which arrived here yesterday, and has up to the present time formed one of the Flying Squadron, is a screw 11-gun corvette, and is constructed of steel and iron, and planked outside. She is 2,380 tons, and her indicated horse-power is 2,610. She was commissioned at Devonport on August 24th, 1880, and her list of officers is as appended:—Captain, Francis Durrant; Lieutenants, Alvin C. Corry, Frederick G. Stopford, Edward P. Powell, Hugh P. Williams; gunnery lieutenant, Lewis D. Sampson; navigating lieutenant, Frank A. Halloran; staff surgeon, Wm. H. Stewart, M.B.; paymaster, William E. P. Saer; chief engineer, John Dunlop; sub-lieutenants, William G. Stewart, Godfrey, H. B. Mundy; surgeon, Jephson J. Connell; assistant paymaster, Ralph B. Marwood; engineers, Chas. J. Cook, John R. D. Johnson; gunner, Wm. Culliford; boatswain, Gregory Poland; carpenter, Benjamin Stone-man; midshipmen, Thomas S. Guppy, Christopher G. F. M. Craddock, Edmund C. P. Cooper, Alastair E. G. Moir, Henry Thompson, Frederick K. C. Gibbons; naval cadet, Ernest F. De Chair; assistant engineer, Edwin K. Odam; assistant clerk, Paulin C. Cook.

NINGPO.

The *Shanghai Courier* correspondent at Ningpo, writing on the 23rd ult., says that the Danish schooner *Nadeshda*, Captain Brodersen, for Chefoo, arrived here yesterday, at 5 p.m., with loss of four anchors and chains, foremast and mizzen-topmast, but otherwise uninjured. She reports having encountered a brisk gale from N.W. On Saturday afternoon after passing Volcano light, thick foggy weather rendering navigation very dangerous was encountered, and she dropped anchor, but finding that one was not sufficient a second was let go. The vessel still drifting, after an interval bearing on the rocks under her lee, a third, and then a fourth anchor was got out without, however, succeeding in stopping her way. Being now close on top of the rocks at the North end of Kintang Island, the foremast was cut away and preparations made for leaving the vessel to her fate. However, in a few minutes more the anchors took the ground and the vessel ceased to drift. The Tactai responded promptly to the Consul's request that a gunboat might be sent to her assistance, and yesterday she was towed up the river by the *Chow Oa*. An attempt was made to recover the anchors, but it was afterwards decided to slip the chains, consequently on her arrival here the schooner had to make fast to another vessel, until some new ground tackle can be procured. Vessels now at Ningpo—Danish schooner *Nadeshda*; German brig *Blaise*; American barque *Pearl*. I have also to record the departure of two old resident missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Goddard, who have been here now for over 15 years without going home. The scene on the jetty was really touching. A large number of Chinese, men, women, and children, assembled to bid adieu to their friends and benefactors, many of them being moved to tears at the thought of how much they were losing in parting from these old friends, who had been the means of dispersing their heathen darkness with the light of Christianity.

THE LOVER OF LOUISE

A rumour is at present flying through the city, to the effect that Canon Duckworth has, within the last few days landed in Sydney. So far as we are concerned, we give no credence to it, although a country contemporary is positive as to the advent of Prince Leopold's late tutor amongst us. If this be really the case, there will be some fluttering of little hearts at Darling Point, and many will be the white fingers at Ashfield busy upon smoking caps and Berlin-wool slippers. In appearance, Canon Duckworth is a remarkable man. His face is singularly handsome, his figure tall and athletic, and his voice peculiarly clear and melodious. His coachman Prince Leopold up to the age of 16, when that studious young gentleman was, to the astonishment of the uninitiated, suddenly transferred to the tenor mercies of Mr. Stahl, a distinguished German scholar and linguist. In his life in the Palace, in consequence of the great affection existing between the young Prince and his sister, the Princess Louise, Mr. Duckworth was much thrown in young Princess's society, and it is broadly stated she became violently enamoured of him. Under these circumstances it was quite natural that the young clergyman should lose his head—and lose it he did with the utmost completeness. Before long it came to the ears of Her Majesty, that in their rides in Windsor Park, the Princess and her lady-in-waiting, Madlle. Vando Weyer, used to tumble across Prince Leopold and his tutor. Then they would tell the servants to wait at Her Majesty's Oak and pick off for a quiet spoon. This embryo-Chastelard business so alarmed the Queen, that she sent post haste for the Duke of Argyll, and told him to ready up young Archy, get him a new snuff-shop rig, and hurry on the nuptials. Duckworth was given the rich living of St. Mark's, in Hamilton Terrace, worth nearly £3,000 a year, and told to pack his shoe-trunk with all possible expedition. With a sad heart he set to work, being assisted to stamp the lid down by John Brown, who had been hanging about for the old shoes and paper-collar boxes which are his lawful perquisites. Before departing, he looked out of the window, and saw her on the lawn sadly playing double-ball with the Princess Beatrice, who, availing herself of her sister's pre-occupation, was taking two turns to Louise's one, and ringing the bell with her mallet instead of her ball. She looked up—their eyes met—and then he tore frantically down to the four-wheeler which was awaiting him, and was jogged away from his heart's dearest aspirations. Well, the marriage took place, with the results we all know. Outwardly, they are man and wife—at one home, they are strangers! Some years after the marriage, Duckworth, now a Canon, was once more invited to the Castle, and, meeting his love, again slipped in: Three days afterwards he was appointed chaplain to Prince of Wales on his Indian tour. Since this we have lost sight of the young parson. However, that is a small matter. We are quite willing, should the young Canon be here, to extend the hand of friendship to him. So, let him give us a call, and we will see if we cannot look him up a few back numbers, and give him an order or two for the waxworks.—*Bulletin*.

After the officials of a Kansas town had vainly endeavoured to disperse a mob a minister mounted a box and made the simple announcement—"A collection will now be taken up." The result can be easily guessed. A woman applied to a Magistrate for a summons against a neighbour. "She called me a thief, your Worship. Can't I make her prove it?" "No doubt you could," said the Magistrate, "but I think you had better not." This comes from Honolulu:—"It was hot, drenched hot, last Monday. So thought a Newfoundland dog. He therefore adjourned to the drinking fountain at the corner of Bethel-street, and clambering up quietly curled himself into the basin and allowed the stream to trickle gently over his back. A newly-converted temperance man who happened to come along, wanted a drink, and stepped up to the fountain. He sprang back suddenly, exclaiming, "By Jove, even water won't do it—I've got 'em again!"

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THIS DAY, One P.M.

Stock Exchange business is still at a standstill. So far as we learn, not a single transfer has been effected for the past two days. There has been an inquiry for a small lot of Banks this morning at 112; but up to the time of our going to press the demand had not been met. China Fires are rather firmer than has been the case lately, buyers now offering 29½ per share without meeting with any response. Doaks also remain firm at 93 with buyers; but no actual business has been done. All other shares remain unchanged.

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—112 per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,625 per share.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$1,575 per share.
North-China Insurance Company—Tls. 1,125 per share.
Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 850 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company—\$392½ per share, sellers.
Man On Insurance Company, Limited—\$25 per share premium.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$912 per share.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$200 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—33 per cent. premium, buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Company—\$21 per share premium.
China Coast Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 162 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$35 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$100 per share, sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$160 per share, sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—3 per cent. premium.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$127½ per share, sales.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$50 per share.
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1878—1½ per cent. premium, ex interest.
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1881—2½ per cent. premium, buyers.

EXCHANGE.

On LONDON—Bank Bills, T.T. 3/8
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/8
Bank Bills, at 1 months' sight 3/8
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/8
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 3/8
On PARIS—Bank Bills, on demand 4/6
Credits, at 4 months' sight 4/8
On BOMBAY—Bank, T.T. 2/3
On CALCUTTA—Bank, T.T. 2/3
On SHANGHAI—Bank, T.T. 7½
Private, 30 days' sight 7½

"See here, waiter," said Cauliflower, pushing away his egg-cup with disgust, "I don't want to count chickens before they are hatched."

The Countess of Beatrix has, accidentally, been driving able editors and superior printing men almost mad. It has chanced that during her recent visit to Bradford she bought many dresses of Bradford materials, and descriptions of these costumes are now taking a trip through the newspapers. With the name of every village in the globe, the politics of every club, the number of buttons on the tunics of every foreign army, the precise size of the foot of every woman in creation, and the dates of all events from yesterday tea-time back to the Flood, a newspaper man is, of course, perfectly well acquainted. As a rule, however, he knows rather less of costumes than he does of the way the seasons are sub-edited. The result of the countess's tour, therefore, has been distracting. To read that her ladyship's skirt was made "entire of magnificent white cut velvet, deeply trimmed round the bottom," gave glimmering of common sense, but when it comes to a further ornament of "plisses of white satin, and innumerable rows of white point d'Alencon lace," the male understanding gives way. Worse still was the account of the "long tunic which completely covered the back of the skirt, as did also the tablier in front, so that only at the sides could the rich material of the skirt be seen, both tablier and tunic being made of fine cream-coloured mohair, trimmed with the same point d'Alencon lace running on to a tight-fitting body of the mohair, cut low at the back, and V shape in front, finished with the same lace a wide waist-belt and sash of white satin ribbon tied at one side, completing the costume." When the newspaper intellact got to where the "mohair went running on to the tight-fitting body," which was also of mohair, and finally got mixed up with "the V shape" in fourth, human nature gave way. If the countess is going to carry on her benevolent scheme of popularising Bradford stuffs, she ought in mercy to supply a millinery and modiste editor to at least each of the London dailies.—*Sportsman*.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 1, CLEOPATRA, British corvette, Captain F. Durrant, Woosung 26th November.
Dec. 2, CLEVELAND, British steamer, 769, N. Harvey, Keelung 29th Nov., Coals.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Dec. 2, VORWAERTS, German steamer, 611, Evers, Hoikow 30th Nov., General.—Wideler & Co.
Dec. 2, AMOR, British steamer, 814, Hermann, Canton 1st Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.
Dec. 2, WROTHES, British steamer, 602, Boswell, Canton 1st Dec., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
Dec. 2, J. H. BOWERS, American bark, 784, Harkness, Chefoo 24th Nov., Beans and Peas.—Chinese.
Dec. 2, SOLWAY, British steamer, for Singapore.
Dec. 2, TANAI, French steamer, 1,900, Dejeun, Yokohama 26th Nov., Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.
Dec. 2, ESPANA, Spanish steamer, 595, Jose de Havalta, Manila 29th Nov., General.—Remedios & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 1, ESNERALDA, British steamer, for Manila.
Dec. 1, BRITUS, German steamer, for Manila.
Dec. 1, MAGPIE, British gunboat, for Hoikow & Co.
Dec. 2, RAJANATTIANAHAR, British steamer, for Bangkok.
Dec. 2, HELINA, Swedish brig, for Bangkok.
Dec. 2, PELHAM, British brig, for Nagasaki.
Dec. 2, ERKONIG, German bark, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Espana, steamer, from Manila, 1 European.
Per Vorwaerts, steamer, from Hoikow, 20 Chinese.
Per J. H. Bowers, Amer. bark, from Chefoo, 1 Chinese.
Per Cleveland, steamer, from Keelung, 8 Chinese.
Per Tanais from Yokohama:—For Hongkong Count de Seebach; for Singapore, Messrs. Martin Lister and Assaichi; for Marseilles, Messrs. Vigano, Imberti, Volini, Moretti, Cajima, Gerosa, Hioshi, Inselini, Miller, and Gualini.

DEPARTED.

Per Rajanattianahar, steamer, for Bangkok, 1 European, and 65 Chinese.
Per Solway, steamer, for Singapore, 12 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The Spanish steamer Espana, from Manila, reports fair weather throughout. The British steamer Vorwaerts, from Haiphong and Hoikow, reports fresh N.E. monsoon throughout. The American bark J. H. Bowers, from Chefoo, reports heavy N.W. gale on the 6th ultimo, and strong N.E. winds and thick weather till the 1st inst.; thence light E. and N.E. winds to port.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(TAKEN AT MESSRS. FALCONER AND CO.'S REGISTER, QUEEN'S-ROAD).

Hongkong, 1st & 2nd December 1881.
BAROMETER—1 P.M. 30.040
Do. 4 P.M. 30.008
THERMOMETER—1 P.M. 74.
Do. 4 P.M. 74.
Do. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb) 71.
Do. 4 P.M. Do. 71.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. 30.039
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. 72.
Do. 9 A.M. (Wet Bulb) 71.
Do. Maximum 74.
Do. Minimum (overnight) 69.

MAILS.

The following mails will close:—
TO-DAY, 2nd December.—
For Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., per City of Tokio, at 2.30 p.m. For Shanghai, per Glenfalloch, at 2.30 p.m.
TO-MORROW, 3rd December.—
For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Keppel Bay, Sydney, Melbourne, &c., per Bowen, at 5 p.m. For Swatow, Amoy and Foochow, per Namoa, at 5 p.m. For Hoikow, Pakhoi and Haiphong, per Ping-on, at 5 p.m. For Shanghai, per Amoy, at 3.30 p.m.
On MONDAY, 5th December.—
For the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, the Australian Colonies, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Gibraltar, per Saghalien, for printed matter at 10 a.m.; and letters at 11 a.m. For Straits Settlements, per Nelson, at 3.30 p.m. For Saigon, per Penedo, at 7.30 a.m. For Bangkok, per Prinz Heinrich, at 5.30 p.m.
On WEDNESDAY, 7th December.—
For Kobe and Yokohama, per Niigata Maru, at 5 p.m.

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SHIPPING IN HONGKONG HARBOUR.

Exclusive of late arrivals and departures this morning.

In this table the anchorage of Hongkong Harbour is divided, for purposes of reference, into five sections:—No. 1 extending from Green Island to the P. and O. Company's Wharf; No. 2 from the P. & O. Company's Wharf to the Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Wharf; No. 3 from the Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Wharf to the Government Wharf; No. 4 from the Government Wharf to the Wanchai Pier; and No. 5 from the Wanchai Pier to Kellett's Island.

Vessels.	Section.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.
Steamers.						
Amoy	3	Dec. 2	Herman	British	814	Siemssen & Co.
Atalanta	2	Nov. 20	Pfaffel	German	787	Siemssen & Co.
Bowen	1	Nov. 17	Darke	British	844	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Cebu	3	Nov. 29	Edgar	American	373	Captain.
City of Tokio	3	Nov. 24	J. Maury	American	5079	P. M. S. S. Co.
Cleveland	3	Dec. 2	Harvey	British	769	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Conquest	3	Sept. 28	Hamlin	British	318	Shun Hang Hong.
Crusader	4	Nov. 23	Rowen	British	700	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
Fame	3	—	A. Stopani	British	117	H. K. & W. Dock Co.
Glenfalloch	3	Nov. 30	E. F. Park	British	1460	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Hongkong	1	Oct. 28	Kennett	British	67	K. Achaong & Sons.
Kiang-ping	3	Oct. 19	Holms	Chinese	392	C. M. S. N. Co.
Namoa	3	Nov. 27	Westoby	British	862	D. Lapraik & Co.
Nelson	3	Nov. 26	Thorn	British	894	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
Penedo	2	Nov. 24	Kenderdine	British	652	Tung Kee & Co.
Ping-on	3	Nov. 30	McOuslin	British	574	Russell & Co.
Prinz Heinrich	2	Nov. 27	Hofmann	German	872	Yuen Fat Hong.
Sea Gull	4	—	Hayden	American	48	China Traders Co.
Shun Tip	3	July 7	Man Fu	Annamese	93	Captain.
Solway	2	Nov. 22	Jarvis	British	510	Vogel & Co.
Solwaerts	3	Dec. 2	Evers	German	611	Wieler & Co.
Wylliffe	3	Dec. 2	Boswell	British	602	C. M. S. N. Co.
Yangtze	* Sept. 30	Schultze	British	782	Siemssen & Co.	
Yee-fay	3	July 7	Lee Tung Tuk	Annamese	1200	Captain.
Yottung	2	Dec. 1	Kennett	British	286	K. Achaong & Sons.

* Kowloon Dock. † Cosmopolitan Dock. ‡ Aberdeen Dock. ** Patent Slip.

Sailing Vessels.

Adole	4	Oct. 18	Logemann	Ger. bark	1132	Melchers & Co.
Agnes Muir	3	Oct. 31	J. Lowe	Brit. ship	901	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Anna	3	Nov. 18	W. Jofren	Ger. bark	447	Order.
Annie	2	Nov. 26	Moller	Ger. 3m soh	345	Melchers & Co.
Arab	3	Nov. 11	G. Moos	Ger. bark	541	Wieler & Co.
Artemisia	2	Nov. 25	MacFarlane	Brit. bark	332	Order.
Belle Morse	4	Nov. 17	Norton	Amr. ship	1307	Order.
Blue Jacket	4	Nov. 21	Percival	Amr. ship	1396	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Bonito	3	Nov. 26	H. Stehr	Ger. schr.	341	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Caroline	3	Nov. 24	Michelsen	Ger. 3m soh	279	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Channel Queen	2	Nov. 9	Le Lacheur	Brit. bark	609	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Cuba	2	Nov. 15	Stabell	Brit. bark	320	Captain.
Daniel Barnes	3	July 22	J. G. Stover	Amer. ship	1485	Vogel & Co.
Edmond Phinney	5	Sept. 14	J. Berry	Amr. bark	751	Carlowitz & Co.
Elliotts	3	Nov. 25	Geo. Crighton	Brit. brig	285	Chinese.
Elvira Dorale	1	Sept. 9	Pimental	Hawai. sh.	1363	Captain.
Emma	3	Nov. 18	Michelsen	Ger. bark	220	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Erkonig	2	Nov. 9	A. Naureh	Ger. bark	456	Siamssen & Co.
Esmeralda	2	Nov. 7	H. Brook	Ger. bark	788	Siemssen & Co.
Fluellin	3	Nov. 21	Fearlett	Brit. bark	498	Chinese.
Glenvey	2	Nov. 17	Thomson	Br. 3-mach.	283	Chinese.
Golden State	1	Nov. 29	Tadlan	Amr. ship	944	Russell & Co.
Gustav & Oscar	1	Sept. 16	Hartmann	Ger. ship	1352	Captain.
Helicon	6	Oct. 5	Howe	Amr. ship	1199	Captain.
Henrik Ibsen	2	Nov. 26	Dau	Norw. bark	274	Siemssen & Co.
Hermes	2	Nov. 16	Grube	Ger. bark	480	Melchers & Co.
Hindostan	3	Sept. 10	Belyea	Brit. ship	1547	Captain.
Hiram Emery	4	Nov. 15	Wymar	Amr. bark	799	Order.
Hope	4	Oct. 7	Curtly	Amer. ship	797	D. Lapraik & Co.
Hotspur	2	Nov. 30	Jack	Brit. bark	522	Melchers & Co.
Humboldt	2	Nov. 20	Stoll	Ger. bark	329	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Iceberg	4	Sept. 24	O. F. King	Amr. ship	1177	Siemssen & Co.
James Wilson	2	Nov. 26	R. Holmes	Brit. bark	326	Wieler & Co.
Jorfacon	2	Nov. 15	Bentley	Br. 3-mach.	287	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
J. H. Bowers	2	Dec. 2	Harkness	Amr. bark	784	Chinese.
John Potts	2	Nov. 14	Brown	Brit. bark	373	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Juno	2	Nov. 26	Brochwaldt	Brit. bark	512	Siemssen & Co.
Laura	3	Nov. 18	Von Ehren	Ger. bark	332	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Leonore	4	Nov. 18	Petersen	Amer. ship	1440	Captain.
Lochiel	2	Nov. 13	Ewan	Brit. sobr.	216	Siemssen & Co.
Lota	2	Nov. 24	Dudfield	Brit. bark	472	Chinese.
Louis Eugene	2	Nov. 22	Monard	Fron. bark	438	Captain.
Lucy	2	Oct. 30	Habekost	Brit. sobr.	219	Chinese.
Malvina	2	Nov. 27	Kluge	Ger. bark	479	Wieler & Co.
Manhem	3	Nov. 15	Jansson	Swed. sobr.	463	Siemssen & Co.
Margrethe	3	Nov. 8	Tessen	Ger. bark	317	Wieler & Co.
Marie	3	Nov. 17	Island	Ger. bark	465	Captain.
Mario	2	Nov. 25	Hundewardt	Ger. bark	428	Wieler & Co.
Morning Star	3	—	Michaelsen	Siam. bark	570	Chinese.
N. D. Auxiliatrice	4	Dec. 1	Jagoret	Fren. bark	536	Captain.
Nicolas Thayer	2	Nov. 25	R. S. Craley	Amer. bark	585	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Orient	2	Nov. 16	Lemmermann	Ger. bark	461	Ed. Schellhass & Co.
Palham	4	Nov. 18	E. Downie	Brit. brig	254	Yee Cheong Tai.
Pym	4	Nov. 18	Stapleton	Brit. bark	558	H. Masuda.
Red Cross	4	Nov. 18	Howland	Amer. ship	1300	Order.
Ribston	2	Nov. 29	Tuckey	Amr. bark	396	Melchers & Co.
Richard Parsons	4	Nov. 17	Packard	Amer. bark	1160	Captain.
R. Robinson	5	Sept. 14	Smith	Amr. ship	1652	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Roderick Hay	2	Nov. 14	Nicolson	Brit. bark	290	Order.
Samar	4	Nov. 15	O. Miller	Amr. ship	1110	Vogel & Co.
Schwan	2	Nov. 24	T. Schroder	Ger. brig	276	Siemssen & Co.
Spartan	5	Nov. 15	Vincent	Amr. sobr.	87	W. H. Ray.
Spirit of the Age	3	Nov. 17	Williams	Brit. bark	347	Chinese.
Sophie	2	Nov. 21	Bingo	Ger. brig	230	Wieler & Co.
Souvenir	2	Oct. 16	Williams	Brit. bark	482	Captain.
Stonewall Jackson	4	Sept. 16	Swain	Amr. bark	1102	Russell & Co.
Syren	2	Oct. 5	Braun	Amr. ship	875	D. Lapraik & Co.
Twilight	5	Sept. 27	Westland	Amr. ship	1305	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Valiant	4	Nov. 25	M. J. Daly	Amer. ship	1872	Captain.
Wm. Turner	3	Nov. 16	Vandervord	Brit. bark	631	Captain.

COLLISION IN THE HARBOUR.

The *Bowen* steamed round from Aberdeen this morning, having been docked there, and when entering the harbour and nearly abreast of the Patent Slip, collided with the steamer *Solway*. The latter vessel was bound for Singapore and was leaving the port on her voyage there when the collision occurred. The *Bowen* reversed her engines before the two vessels touched, and had, it is stated, actually gathered sternway, so that the collision was not of the violent nature it might have been. Nevertheless, the *Bowen* had her fore-yard brought down by the run and a plate bulged in, but fortunately the plate is above the deck; her starboard anchor stock and accommodation ladder were also carried away. The *Solway* shortly after put about and anchored near Green Island, but has since sailed, and the damage she received is not known.

H.M.S. "CLEOPATRA."

Her Majesty's ship *Cleopatra* which arrived here yesterday, and has up to the present time formed one of the Flying Squadron, is a screw 11-gun corvette, and is constructed of steel and iron, and planked outside. She is 2,330 tons, and her indicated horse-power is 2,610. She was commissioned at Devonport on August 24th, 1880, and her list of officers is as appended:—Captain, Francis Durrant; lieutenants, Alvin C. Corry, Frederick G. Stopford, Edward P. Powell, Hugh P. Williams; gunnery lieutenant, Lewis D. Sampson; navigating lieutenant, Frank A. Halloran; staff surgeon, Wm. H. Stewart, M.B.; paymaster, William E. P. Saer; chief engineer, John Danlop; sub-lieutenants, William G. Stewart, Godfrey, H. B. Mundy; surgeon Jephson J. Connell; assistant paymaster, Ralph B. Marwood; engineers, Chas. J. Cook, John R. D. Johnson; gunner Wm. Culliford; boatswain, Gregory Poland; carpenter, Benjamin Stoneman; midshipmen, Thomas S. Guppy, Christopher G. F. M. Craddock, Edmund C. P. Cooper, Alastair E. G. Moir, Henry Thompson, Frederick K. C. Gibbons; naval cadet, Ernest F. De Chair; assistant engineer, Edwin K. Odum; assistant clerk, Paulin C. Cook.

NINGPO.

The *Shanghai Courier* correspondent at Ningpo, writing on the 23rd ult., says that the Danish schooner *Nadesda*, Captain Brodersen, for Chefoo, arrived here yesterday, at 5 p.m., with loss of four anchors and chains, foremast and mizzen-topmast, but otherwise uninjured. She reports having encountered a brisk gale from N.W. On Saturday afternoon after passing Volcano light, thick foggy weather rendering navigation very dangerous was encountered, and she dropped anchor, but finding that one was not sufficient a second was let go. The vessel still drifting, after an interval bearing on the rocks under her lee, a third, and then a fourth anchor was got out without, however, succeeding in stopping her way. Being now close on top of the rocks at the North end of Kintang Island, the foremast was cut away and preparations made for leaving the vessel to her fate. However, in a few minutes more the anchors took the ground and the vessel ceased to drift. The Tao-tai responded promptly to the Consul's request that a gunboat might be sent to her assistance, and yesterday she was towed up the river by the *Chow On*. An attempt was made to recover the anchors, but it was afterwards decided to slip the chains, consequently on her arrival here the schooner had to make fast to another vessel, until some new ground tackle can be procured. Vessels now at Ningpo—Danish schooner *Nadesda*; German brig *Blais*; American barque *Pearl*. I have also to record the departure of two old resident missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Goddard, who have been here now for over 15 years without going home. The scene on the jetty was really touching. A large number of Chinese, men, women, and children, assembled to bid adieu to their friends and benefactors, many of them being moved to tears at the thought of how much they were losing in parting from these old friends, who had been the means of dispersing their heathen darkness with the light of Christianity.

THE LOVER OF LOUISE

A rumour is at present flying through the city, to the effect that Canon Duckworth has, within the last few days landed in Sydney. So far as we are concerned, we give no credence to it, although a country contemporary is positive as to the advent of Prince Leopold's late tutor amongst us. If this be really the case, there will be some fluttering of little hearts at Darling Points, and many will be the white fingers at Ashfield busy upon smoking caps and Berlin-wool slippers. In appearance, Canon Duckworth is a remarkable man. His face is singular handsome, his figure tall and athletic, and his voice peculiarly clear and melodious. He coached Prince Leopold up to the age of 16, when that studious young gentleman was, to the astonishment of the uninitiated, suddenly transferred to the ton for merces of Mr. Stahl, a distinguished German scholar and linguist. In his life in the Palace, in consequence of the great affection existing between the young Prince and his sister, the Princess Louise, Mr. Duckworth was much thrown in young Princess's society, and it is broadly stated she became violently enamoured of him. Under these circumstances it was quite natural that the young clergyman should lose his head—and lose it he did with the utmost completeness. Before long it came to the ears of Her Majesty, that in their rides in Windsor Park, the Princess and her lady-in-waiting, Mdlle. Vande Weyer, used to tumble across Prince Leopold and his tutor. Then they would tell the servants to wait at Herne's Oak and pair off for a quiet spoon. This embryo-Chastelard business so alarmed the Queen, that she sent post haste for the Duke of Argyll, and told him to ready up young Archy, get him a new snuff-shop rig, and hurry on the nuptials. Duckworth was given the rich living of St. Mark's, in Hamilton Terrace, worth nearly £3,000 a year, and told to pack his shoe-trunk with all possible expedition. With a sad heart he set to work, being assisted to stamp the lid down by John Brown, who had been hanging about for the old shoes and paper-collar boxes which are his lawful perquisites. Before departing, he looked out of the window, and saw her on the lawn sadly playing double-ball with the Princess Beatrice, who, availing herself of her sister's pro-occupation, was taking two turns to Louise's one, and ringing the bell with her mallet instead of her ball. She looked up—their eyes met—and then he tore frantically down to the four-wheeler which was awaiting him, and was jogged away from his heart's dearest aspirations. Well, the marriage took place, with the results we all know. Outwardly, they are man and wife—at one home, they are strangers! Some years after the marriage, Duckworth, now a Canon, was once more invited to the Castle, and, meeting his love, again slipped in. Three days afterwards he was appointed chaplain to Prince of Wales on his Indian tour. Since this we have lost sight of the young parson. However, that is a small matter. We are quite willing, should the young Canon behave, to extend the hand of friendship to him. So, let him give us a call, and we will see if we cannot look him up a few back numbers, and give him an order or two for the waxworks.—*Bullfinch*.

After the officials of a Kansas town had vainly endeavoured to disperse a mob a minister mounted a box and made the simple announcement—"A collection will now be taken up." The result can be easily guessed.

A woman applied to a Magistrate for a summons against a neighbour. "She called me a thief, your Worship. Can't I make her prove it?" "No, doubt you could," said the Magistrate, "but I think you had better not."

This comes from Honolulu:—"It was hot, danced hot, last Monday. So thought a Newfoundland dog. He therefore adjourned to the drinking fountain at the corner of Bethel-street, and clambering up quietly curled himself into the basin and allowed the stream to trickle gently over his back. A newly-converted temperance man who happened to come along, wanted a drink, and stepped up to the fountain. He sprang back suddenly, exclaiming, "By Jove, even water won't do it—I've got 'em again!"

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE DAY, One P.M.

Stock Exchange business is still at a standstill. So far as we learn, not a single transfer has been effected for the past two days. There has been an inquiry for a small lot of Banks this morning at 112; but up to the time of our going to press the demand had not been met. China Fires are rather firmer than has been the case lately, buyers now offering 29½ per share without meeting with any response. Docks also remain firm at 33 with buyers; but no actual business has been done. All other shares remain unchanged.

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—112 per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$1,625 per share.
China Traders' Insurance Company—\$1,575 per share.
North-China Insurance Company—Tls. 1,123 per share.
Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 850 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company—\$292½ per share, sellers.
Man On Insurance Company, Limited—\$25 per share premium.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$912 per share.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$290 per share, buyers.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—33 per cent. premium, buyers.
Hongkong, Canton, and Amoy Steamboat Company—\$24 per share premium.
China Coast Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 162 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company—\$35 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company—\$100 per share, sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$160 per share, sellers.
China Sugar Refining Company (Debentures)—3 per cent. premium.
Hongkong Ice Company—\$127½ per share, sales.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$50 per share.
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1878—1½ per cent. premium, ex interest.
Chinese Imperial Government Loan of 1881—2½ per cent. premium, buyers.
EXCHANGE.
On LONDON—Bank Bills, T.T. 3/8
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/8
Bank Bills, at 1 month's sight 3/8
Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/8
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight 3/8
On PARIS—Bank Bills, on demand 4.69
Credits, at 4 months' sight 4.81
On BOMBAY—Bank, T.T. 223
On CALCUTTA—Bank, T.T. 223
On SHANGHAI—Bank, T.T. 73½
Private, 30 days' sight 74

"See here, waiter," said Cauliflower, pushing away his egg-cup with disgust, "I don't want to count chickens before they are hatched."

The Countess of Bective has, accidentally, been driving able editors and superior printing men almost mad. It has chanced that during her recent visit to Bradford she bought many dresses of Bradford materials, and descriptions of these costumes are now taking a trip through the newspapers. With the name of every village in the globe, the politics of every club, the number of buttons on the tunics of every foreign army, the precise size of the foot of every woman in creation, and the dates of all events from yesterday tea-time back to the Flood, a newspaper man is, of course, perfectly well acquainted. As a rule, however, he knows rather less of costumes than he does of the way the seasons are sub-edited. The result of the countess's tour, therefore, has been distracting. To read that her ladyship's skirt was made "entirely of magnificent white cut velvet, deeply trimmed round the bottom," gave glimmering of common sense, but when it comes to a further ornament of "plumes of white satin, and innumerable rows of white point d'Alencon lace," the male understanding gives way. Worse still was the account of the "long tunic which completely covered the back of the skirt, as did also the tablier in front, so that only at the sides could the rich material of the skirt be seen, both tablier and tunic being made of fine cream-coloured mohair, trimmed with the same point d'Alencon lace running out to a tight-fitting body of the mohair, cut low at the back, and V shape in front, finished with the same lace a wide waist-belt and sash of white satin ribbon tied at one side, completing the costume." When the newspaper intellect got to where the "mohair went running on to the tight-fitting body," which was also of mohair, and finally got mixed up with "the V shape" in fourth, human nature gave way. If the countess is going to carry on her benevolent scheme of popularising Bradford stuffs, she ought in mercy to supply a millinery and modiste editor to at least each of the London dailies.—*Sportman*.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 1, *CLEOPATRA*, British corvette, Captain F. Durrant, Woosung 26th November.
Dec. 2, *CLEVELAND*, British steamer, 769, N. Harvey, Keelung 29th Nov., Coals.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Dec. 2, *VORWAERTS*, German steamer, 611, Evers, Hoilow 30th Nov., General.—Wieler & Co.
Dec. 2, *AMOR*, British steamer, 814, Hermann, Canton 1st Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.
Dec. 2, *WYOLIFFE*, British steamer, 602, Boswell, Canton 1st Dec., General.—O. M. S. N. Co.
Dec. 3, J. H. BOWERS, American bark, 784, Harkness, Chefoo 24th Nov., Beans and Peas.—Chinese.
Dec. 2, *SOLWAY*, British steamer, for Singapore.
Dec. 2, *TANAI*, French steamer, 1,900, Drujon, Yokohama 26th Nov., Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.
Dec. 2, *ESPAÑA*, Spanish steamer, 595, Jose de Havalta, Manila 29th Nov., General.—Remedios & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 1, *ESMERALDA*, British steamer, for Manila.
Dec. 1, *BRUTUS*, German steamer, for Manila.
Dec. 1, *MAGPIE*, British gunboat, for Hoilow, &c.
Dec. 2, *RAJANATTIANUHAR*, British steamer, for Bangkok.
Dec. 2, *HELENA*, Swedish brig, for Bangkok.
Dec. 2, *PELHAM*, British brig, for Nagasaki.
Dec. 2, *ERLKNIG*, German bark, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Espana*, steamer, from Manila, 1 European.
Per *Vorwaerts*, steamer, from Hoilow, 20 Chinese.
Per J. H. Bowers, Amer. bark, from Chefoo, 1 Chinese.
Per *Cleveland*, steamer, from Keelung, 8 Chinese.
Per *Tanais* from Yokohama:—For Hongkong Count de Seebach; for Singapore, Messrs. Martin Lister and Assaichi; for Manila, Messrs. Vigano, Imberti, Volini, Moretti, Cajima, Gerosa, Hicshi, Inselini, Miller, and Gualini.

DEPARTED.

Per *Rajanattianuhar*, steamer, for Bangkok, 1 European, and 65 Chinese.
Per *Solway*, steamer, for Singapore, 12 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The Spanish steamer *Espana*, from Manila, reports fair weather throughout.
The British steamer *Vorwaerts*, from Haiphong and Hoilow, reports fresh N. E. monsoon throughout.
The American bark J. H. Bowers, from Chefoo, reports heavy N.W. gale on the 6th ultimo, and strong N.E. winds and thick weather till the 1st inst.; thence light E. and N.E. winds to port.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(TAKEN AT MESSRS. FALCONER AND CO.'S REGISTER, QUEEN'S-ROAD).

Hongkong, 1st & 2nd December 1881.
BAROMETER—1 P.M. 30.040
Do. 4 P.M. 30.008
THERMOMETER—1 P.M. 74.
Do. 4 P.M. 74.
Do. 1 P.M. (Wet bulb) ... 71.
Do. 4 P.M. Do. 71.
BAROMETER—9 A.M. 30.030
THERMOMETER—9 A.M. 72.
Do. 9 A.M. (Wet Bulb) ... 71.
Do. Maximum 74.
Do. Minimum (overnight) 69.

MAILS.

The following mails will close:—
TO-DAY, 2nd December.—
For Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., per City of Tokio, at 2.30 p.m. For Shanghai, per Glenfalloch, at 2.30 p.m.
TO-MORROW, 3rd December.—
For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Keppel Bay, Sydney, Melbourne, &c., per Bowen, at 6 p.m. For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow, per Namoa, at 5 p.m. For Hoilow, Pakhoi and Haiphong, per Ping-on, at 5 p.m. For Shanghai, per Amoy, at 3.30 p.m.
On MONDAY, 5th December.—
For the United Kingdom and Europe, via Naples, to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Gibraltar, per Saghalien, for printed matter at 10 a.m., and letters at 11 a.m. For Straits Settlements, per Nelson, at 3.30 p.m. For Saigon, per Penedo, at 7.30 a.m. For Bangkok, per Prina Heinrich, at 3.30 p.m.
On WEDNESDAY, 7th December.—
For Kobe and Yokohama, per Niigata Maru, at 5 p.m.

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